

Minutes of The Heritage Committee
March 17, 2015 – Town Hall – 7 p.m.

Absent: Ray Wilcox, Jack Quinn, Bill Hansen Arnie Magid
Present: Chet Kuras, Roger Ives

Acting Chairman Kuras called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.

Citizen Comment: None

Minutes – The minutes of the Feb. 17, 2015 were accepted as printed and distributed.

Farmland Preservation/Open Space program update:

It was noted that in the preliminary budget discussion, that only \$100,000 had been designated for the Farmland Preservation program. The Town Planner, Bill Hawkins requested \$500,000. Mr. Hawkins informed ACCE that with the current funding and two applications ready for approval, the new funding with the unexpended fund in this year's budget would probably allow the purchase of 1 farm's developmental rights in the next fiscal year. At this point in time, we are not sure of the State's amount of funding for this program.

Zoning and Planning Commission update:

Mr. Kuras reported a request for a 2 lot Re-subdivision on the north side of Spruce Street nearest intersection being North Grand Street, Map 20, Block 17, Lot 26 Applicant – D'Amico had been approved.

He also commented on the Public Hearing for Hamlet Homes, LLC, 171 units on South Street. This subdivision falls under the regulations for Affordable Housing; thus allowing the Zoning and Planning Commission to deal only with safety and health concerns. The Public Hearing was continued until the next Z & P meeting.

WPCA – Mr. Roger Ives stated that the WPCA had sent a letter of concern regarding the application, Hamlet Homes LLC to the Zoning and Planning Commission.

Respectfully submitted, Bobbie C. Kling, Secretary HC.Minutes.March.17.2015